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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated September 20, 2002, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on December 20, 2002, and having been extended by three months to March 20, 2003, by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein contained remarks.

REMARKS

Initially, Applicant would like to express his appreciation to the Examiner for the detailed Official Action provided.